

(a) whether the allotment of targets for Janata Cloth to the States is based on the number of handlooms in the States and the past performance in production of Janata Cloth;

(b) if so, the performance of Karnataka during the past three years in this regard, year-wise;

(c) the target of Janata cloth allotted to Karnataka during each of the last three years and the proposed target fixed for 1991-92; and

(d) the steps taken by the Government to ensure that Janata cloth is easily available to poor people in rural areas of Karnataka?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI ASHOK GEHLOT): (a) The target for production of janata cloth in a State is fixed on the basis of a number of factors such as (i) production capacity; (ii) past performance in production; (iii) a entitlement for consumption of janata cloth assessed on the basis of population on pro-rata basis; and (iv) overall target of production of janata cloth fixed for the country which depends on the amount of subsidy earmarked in a year for release under this scheme.

(b) and (c). The details of target fixed and the achievement made in the production of janata cloth in Karnataka during the last three years is as under:-

(in million square metres)

<i>Year</i>	<i>Target fixed</i>	<i>Production achieved</i>
1988	37.38	33.18
1989-90	40.18	35.29
1990-91	40.00	40.25
1991-92	33.00	N.A.

(d) The Janata cloth produced in Karnataka is distributed to the targetted consumers through the Public Distribution System (PDS) in the State and the Federations of consumer cooperatives identified by the District administrative authorities. The production agencies in the State are allowed to sell normally a maximum of 15% of their production through their own retail outlets. The scheme envisages that at least 75% of janata cloth is sold to target groups in the rural areas according to a land holding income criterion. A State Level Committee functioning under the Chairmanship of Secretary-in-charge of Handlooms of Karnataka is monitoring the performance of FDS and

other distribution arrangements made under this scheme in the State.

Clearance of Projects/Schemes from Bihar

209. SHRI SYED SHAHABUDDIN: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the projects and schemes submitted by the Government of Bihar pending for clearance with the Union Government;

(b) their present status in each case;

(c) the target date for their clearance; and
(d) whether they are likely to be included for execution under the Annual Plan of 1991-92?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) Presumably the Hon'ble Member is referring to National

Highway schemes relating to Annual Plan 1992-93. The proposals received from Bihar Government in this respect are shown in the attached Statement.

(b) to (d). Annual Plan 1992-93 has not been given a concrete shape yet due to non-finalisation of the VIII Plan. It is therefore too early to say when these proposals might be cleared.

STATEMENT

Proposals for Bridge works

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Sl. No.	NH No.	Name/Location of bridge works	Length in Meters	Estimated cost (Rs. lacks)	REMARKS
A. CATEGORY : Major Bridges					
1.	23.	Br. at Km. 29 i/c approaches	64	130.00	
2.	23.	Br. at Km. 77 i/c approaches	100	250.00	
3.	23.	Br. at Km. 162 i/c approaches	75	150.00	
Total 'A'				530.00	
B. CATEGORY IV: MINOR BRIDGES					
4.	23	Br. at Km. 113	40	80.00	
5.	33	Br. at Km. 112	30	60.00	
6.	33	Br. at Km. 119	40	80.00	
Total 'B'				220.00	
C. CATEGORY VII					
Misc.; Survey & Investigation/ Project preparation.				30.00	
D. ROB's/RUBs					
7.	30	ROB at Didarganj in Km. 197		400.00	

<i>Sl. No.</i>	<i>NH No.</i>	<i>Name/Location of bridge works</i>	<i>Length in Meters</i>	<i>Estimated cost (Rs.* lacks)</i>	<i>REMARKS</i>
8.	31	ROB at Kishanganj in Km. 172		350.00	
9.	32	ROB at Mile 47/1		300.00	
10.	2	ROB at Isri		400.00	
				1450.00	
Grand Total A+B+C+D = 2230 lakhs					

List of National Highway (Road) Works for Inclusion In Annual Plan 1992-93 for The State of Bihar

<i>Sl. No.</i>	<i>NH No.</i>	<i>Name of Work</i>	<i>Length Kms.</i>	<i>Estimated Cost</i>	<i>Remarks</i>
					<i>Rs. in crores</i>
(A) High Traffic Volume Group :					
a) Strengthening existing 2 lane pavement in —					
1.	2	Kms 257 to 269 & 293	14	2.80	
2.	2	Kms 369 to 377 & 387 to 393	16	3.00	
3.	31	Kms 322.5 to 335	13.5	3.00	
4.	31	Kms 429 to 437	9	1.80	
(B) Medium Traffic Vol. Group :					
a) Strengthening weak 2 lane pavement in					
5.	33	Kms 84 to 95	12	2.00	
6.	33	Kms 271 to 280	10	1.80	
7.	28	Kms 374 to 383	10	2.00	
8.	28	Kms 527 to 536	10	2.00	
9.	30	Kms 122-144, 151-153	26	3.00	

Sl. No.	NH Name of Work	Length Kms.	Estimated Cost	Remarks
			<i>Rs. in crores</i>	
10.32	Kms 135 to 142	8	1.60	
	(C) Low Traffic Volume Group: a) Widening & strengthening in			
11. 23	Kms 34.8 to 41.8	7	2.50	
12.23	Kms 41.80 to 51.80 (Chas-Ramgarh Section)	10	3.60	
13.23	Kms 51.80 to 60.00 (Chas-Ramgarh Section)	8.2	3.00	
14.52	Four laning of Sasaram Bazar	4	1.90	
15.31	Remedial measures in selected stretches of Pasra Zone Kms 298 to 312	1	1.00	
16.NHs	Misc. works-Riding Quality - hard shoulder - land acquisition - protection works - survey-investigation - other misc. works		5.00	
	(Rupees forty crores only)		40.00	

Change in Procedure for Finalisation of Bank's Accounts

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI DALBIR SINGH): (a) Yes, Sir.

210. SHRI K.V. THANGKABALU: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have decided to introduce changes in the procedure for the finalisation of the final accounts of banks; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

(b) A notification has been issued by Government on 18th January 1991 giving notice of its intention to modify the formats of Balance Sheet and Profit & Loss Account of commercial banks after expiry of three months from the date of publication. The proposed formats would have, inter-alia, the following features:-